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Senate Resolution 285

By: Senators Pearson of the 51st and Rogers of the 21st

## **A RESOLUTION**

1 Recognizing Italy Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and the Country of Italy currently have significant and
- 3 mutually beneficial economic ties, including but not limited to the location in this state of a
- 4 number of facilities operated by leading Italian industries; and

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- 6 WHEREAS, such economic ties provide jobs for Georgians, and it is in the best interest of
- 7 this state to increase such opportunities through expanded Italian industrial operations,
- 8 businesses, and investments in this state; and
- 9 WHEREAS, it is the desire of this body to encourage greater collaborations and exchanges
- between Georgia and Italy in fields of scientific research, especially those directed at
- developing new technologies in areas such as nanotechnology, telecommunications, and
- 12 medicine; and
- WHEREAS, it also will be mutually beneficial to foster stronger cultural ties and exchanges
- between this state and Italy by means such as foreign student exchange programs between
- 15 institutions of higher learning and efforts of the cities of Atlanta and Florence, Italy, to
- 16 establish themselves as sister cities.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 18 recognize Italy Day at the Capitol in support of the aforementioned goals.
- 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 20 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to his Excellency Giovanni Castellaneta,
- 21 Ambassador of Italy to the United States, and Angela Della Costanza Turner, Honorary
- 22 Consul of Italy for the State of Georgia.